

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-2659
Date: 20 December 2022



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

- 1. The total amount this force spent on social, team-building or non-work related activities in the calendar years 2019/2020/2021/2022, for example: surfing classes, group trips away, meditation courses etc.**
- 2. For each year please provide a breakdown of spending by activity, for example: £10k spent on surf lessons.**
- 3. If possible for each activity state the number of people that attended and the duration of the activity.**
- 4. If possible for each calendar year please state the total amount the force spent on alcoholic beverages.**

Having made enquiry with our People and Development (HR) and Finance teams, I can confirm that the information sought is not held by Police Scotland and section 17 of the Act applies.

To explain, there is no cost code specific to any such activities/ categories of spending and whilst it could perhaps be argued for example that the travel costs associated with a team training event might be 'team building' this would be recorded as training/ conference attendance etc. in line with our recording categories.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management - Dundee at foidundee@scotland.police.uk quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to foi@scotland.police.uk or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision.

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You can apply [online](#), by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.

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